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Concrete Repair Science:

new trends

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Surfology: new investigations techniques and approaches

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Surfology: techniques and principles

1. Concrete Repair

Needs for knowledge

2. Surfology

Definitions

3. How to quantify surfology?

Roughness, thermodynamic equilibriums,
water

4. Why is surfology needed?

Repair engineering, adhesion



Repairing concrete

Needs for knowledge

Surfology: needs for knowledge



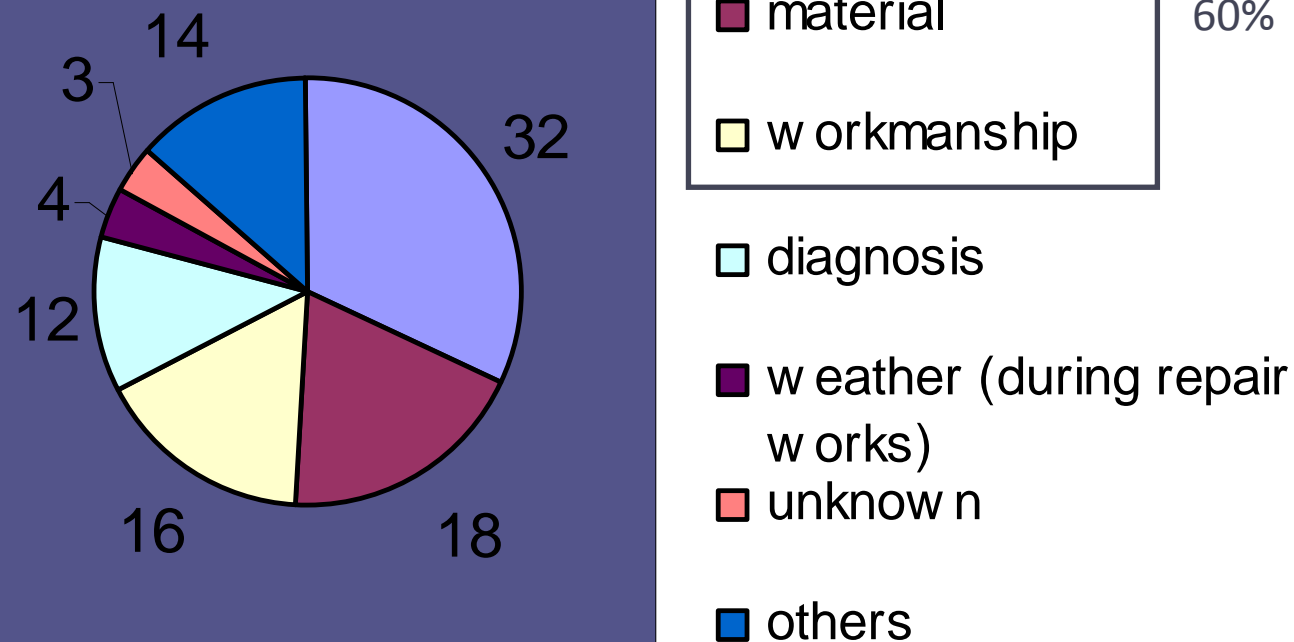
Liège, 2008

Surfology: needs for knowledge



Nowy świat, Warsaw, 2009

Surfology: needs for knowledge



Causes of repair failure by corrosion, cracking, debonding (Tilly, 2004)

Surfology: needs for knowledge

The reliability and durability of a repaired concrete substrate and its remaining service life depends on the behavior of the repair material, which is controlled by the **compatibility** between the two materials making up the repair system.

(Czarnecki, 2004)

... the heterogeneity of the components in a composite repaired structure requires an **understanding of the interaction** of the existing materials and the repair materials ...

(Vaysburd et al., 2004)

A photograph of a large, ornate dome interior, likely a government building. The dome features a complex pattern of white, ribbed segments with gold-colored accents. The lighting is bright, highlighting the architectural details.

Surfology

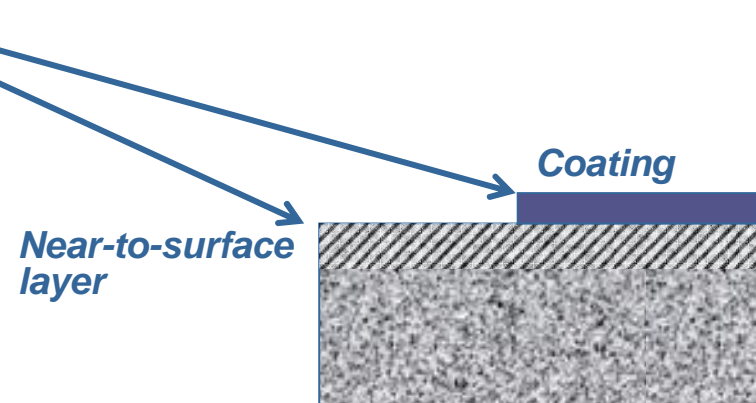
Definitions

Surfology: definitions

*scientific and technological approaches related to the design, the production and the application of surface layers to improve properties of the substrate, particularly resistance to corrosion and abrasion and aesthetic properties as well **

surface engineering covers:

all phenomena involved with a
modification of near-to-surface layer
and/or application of coating suitable
for a given application



Surfology: definitions

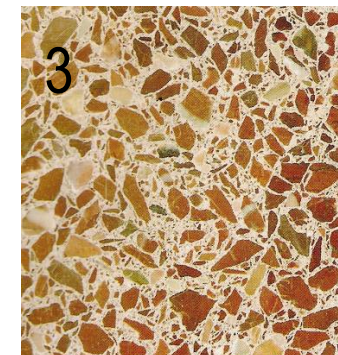
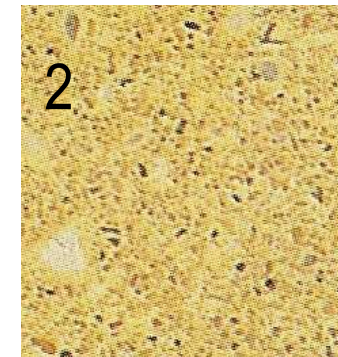
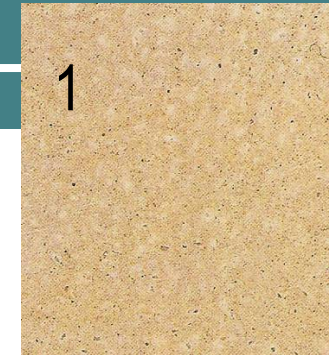
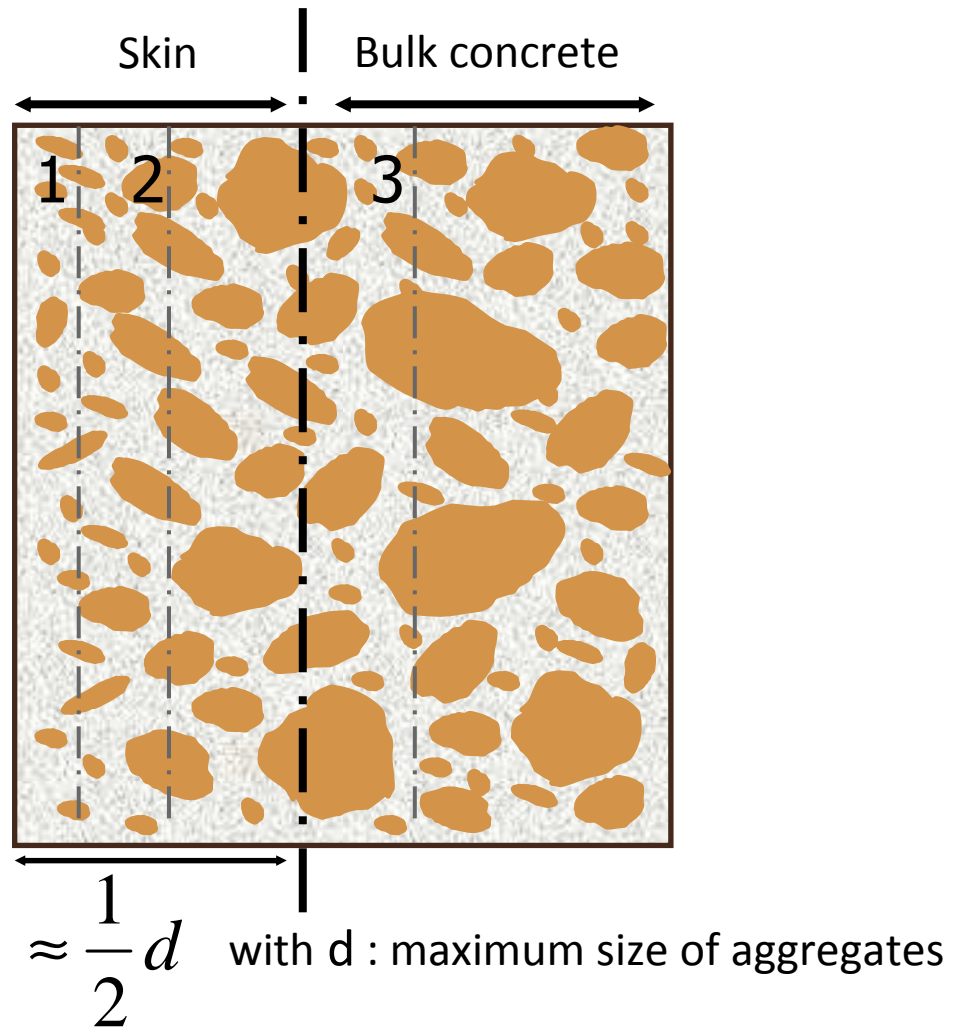
Surface engineering in the case of concrete structures:

- *to reach a desired durability of new structures,*
- *repair existing structures.*

European Standards EN 1504

- *improvement of near-to-surface layer quality by hydrophobic treatment or impregnation,*
- *removal of deteriorated concrete and repair with fresh mortar,*
- *application of adhesive coating to improve barrier properties.*

Surfology: definitions



Surfology: definitions

Creation and stability of the interface

SUBSTRATE

- surface energy
- roughness
- porosity
- capillary suction
- saturation level
- mechanical characteristics
- interstitial water

NEW LAYER

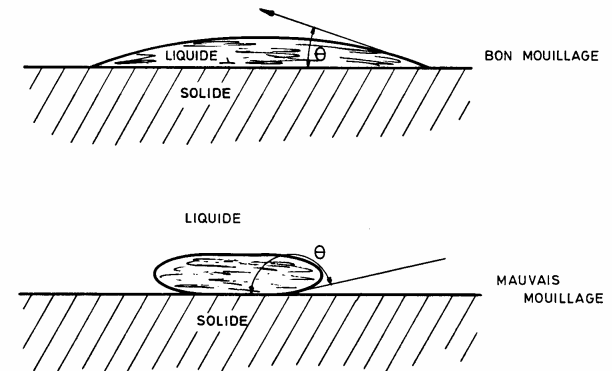
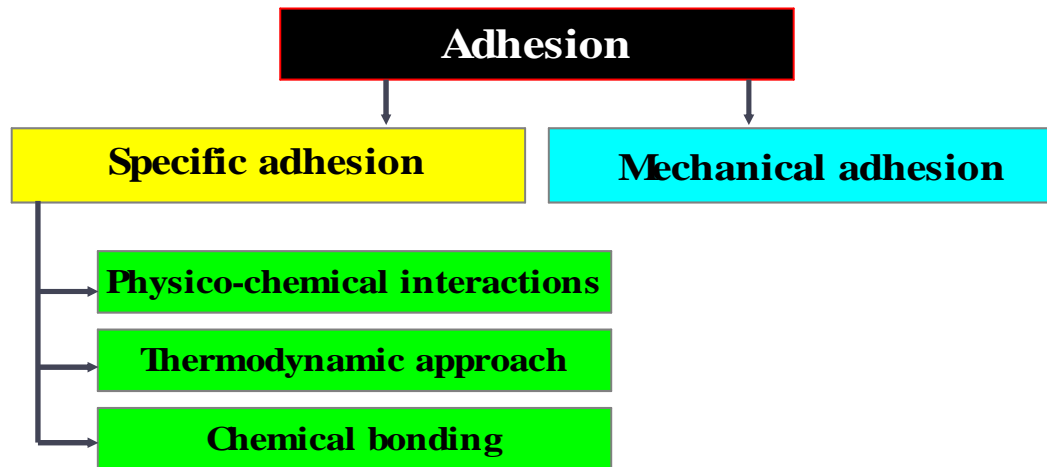
- surface energy
- binder setting
- kinetics of contact
- thermal dilatations
- shrinkage
- porosity, capillarity
- mechanical characteristics

ENVIRONMENT

hydrothermal conditions
of substrate and air
curing conditions

HUMAN FACTORS

Surfology: definitions



Condition 1 : spreading and wettability

Condition 2 : physico-chemical interactions

Condition 3 : mechanical interlocking





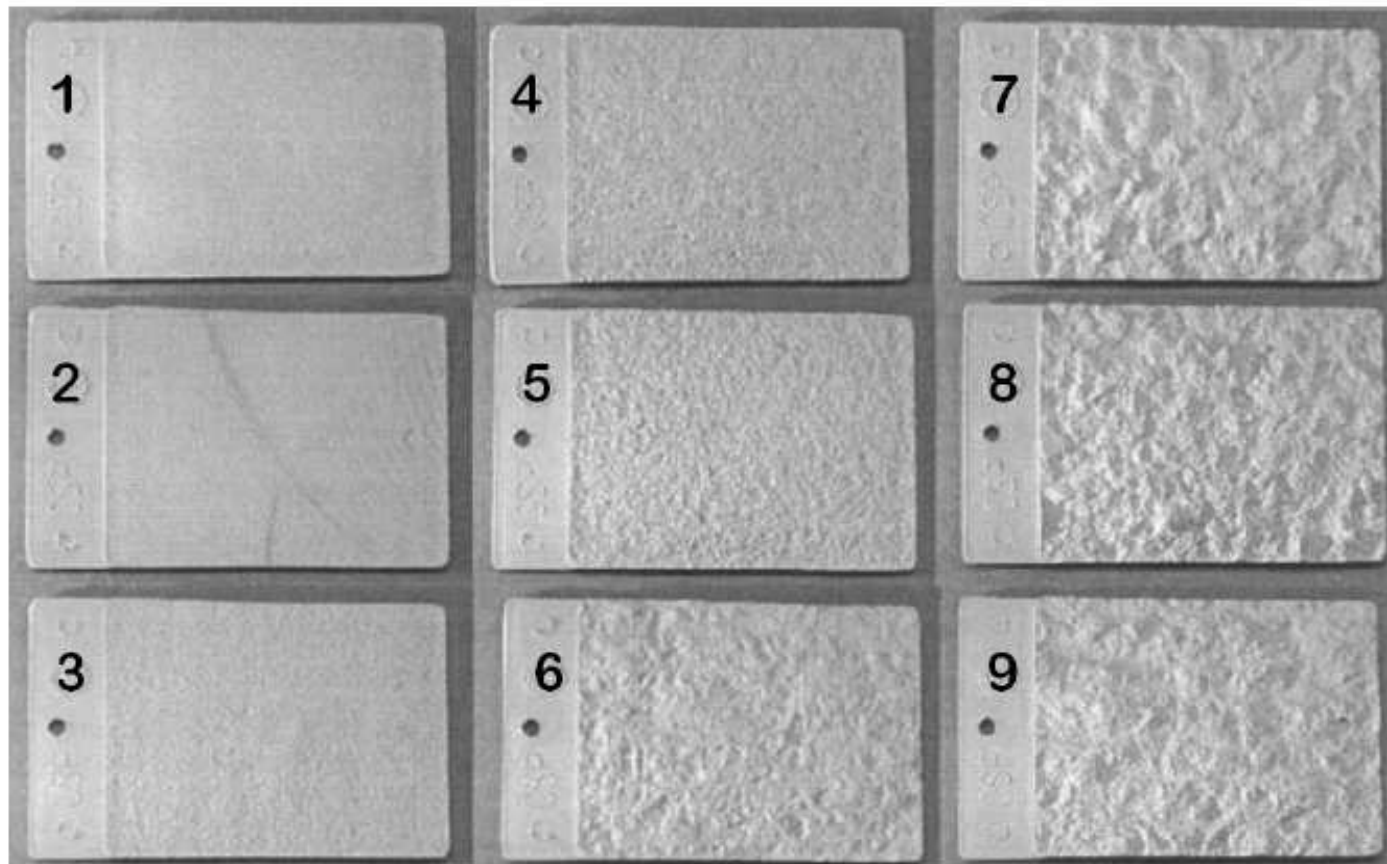
Surfology

How to quantify surfology?



Roughness evaluation

Surfology: roughness



Reference
ICRI plates
and
comparison
with
roughness
on site

Surfology: roughness



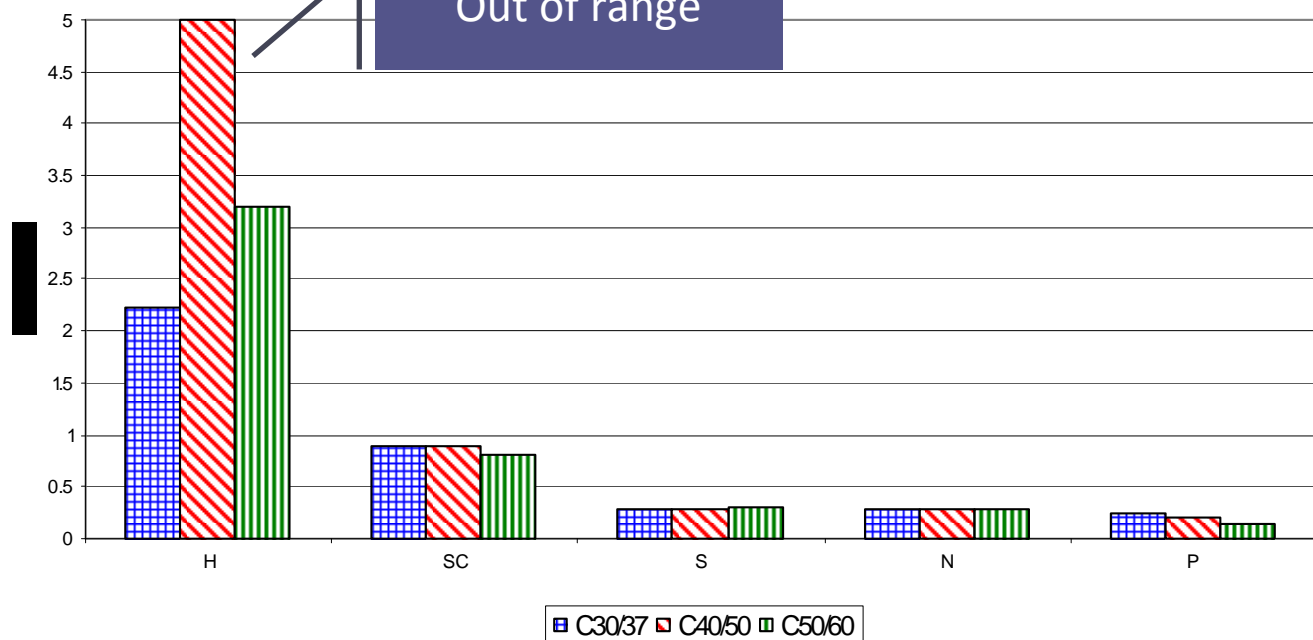
Surface Rough Index
 $SRI = 4V/\pi D^2$

H = water-jetting

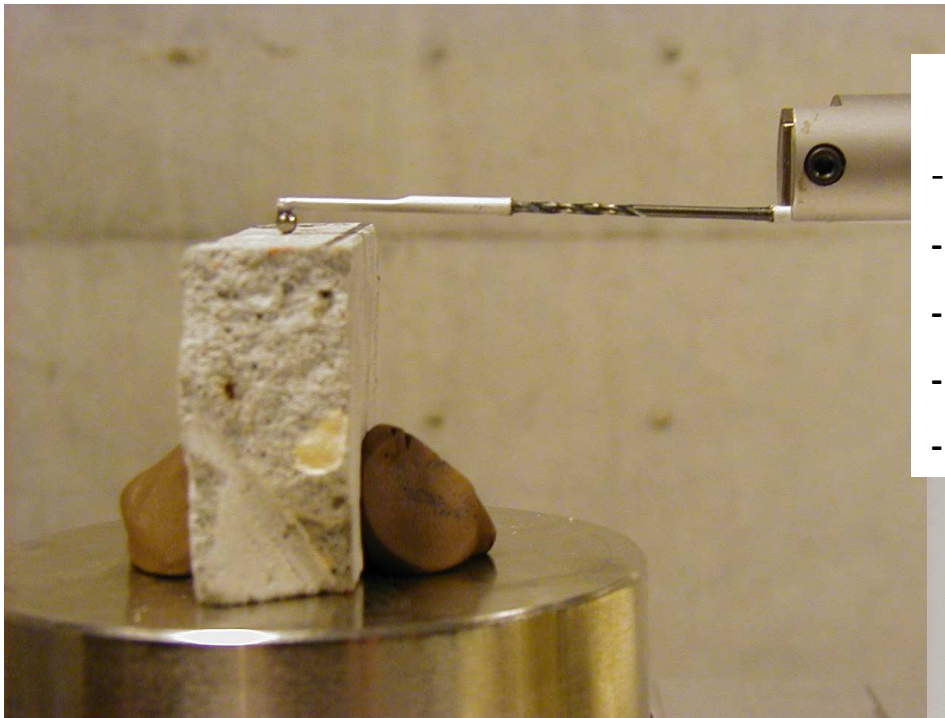
SC = scabbling

S = sandblasting

P = polishing



Surfology: roughness



Technical characteristics

- system capacity: 1000 by 1000mm
- surface of measurement : 30 by 30mm
- shape of the stylus: spherical
- diameter of the stylus: 6 μ m and 1.5mm
- step of measurement: 300 μ m



(Courard, Garbacz and Gorka 2004)

Surfology: roughness and waviness

Equipments to measure surface texture



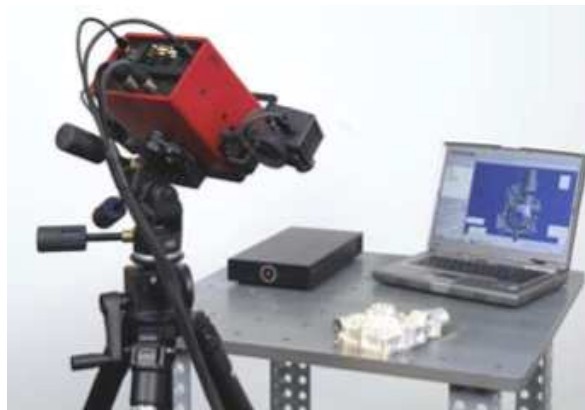
Mechanical profiling

Measuring area : 200x200 mm

Shape of the stylus: truncated cone

Diameter of the stylus: 1 mm

Path of measurement: 1 mm



Atos I 3D Digitizer

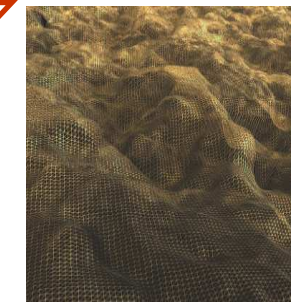
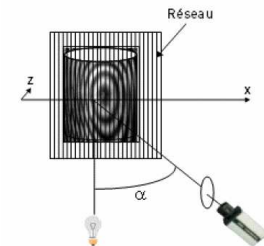
Fringe patterns

Measuring area:

120x100 - 1000x800 mm²

Spatial resolution: 0,04-1 mm

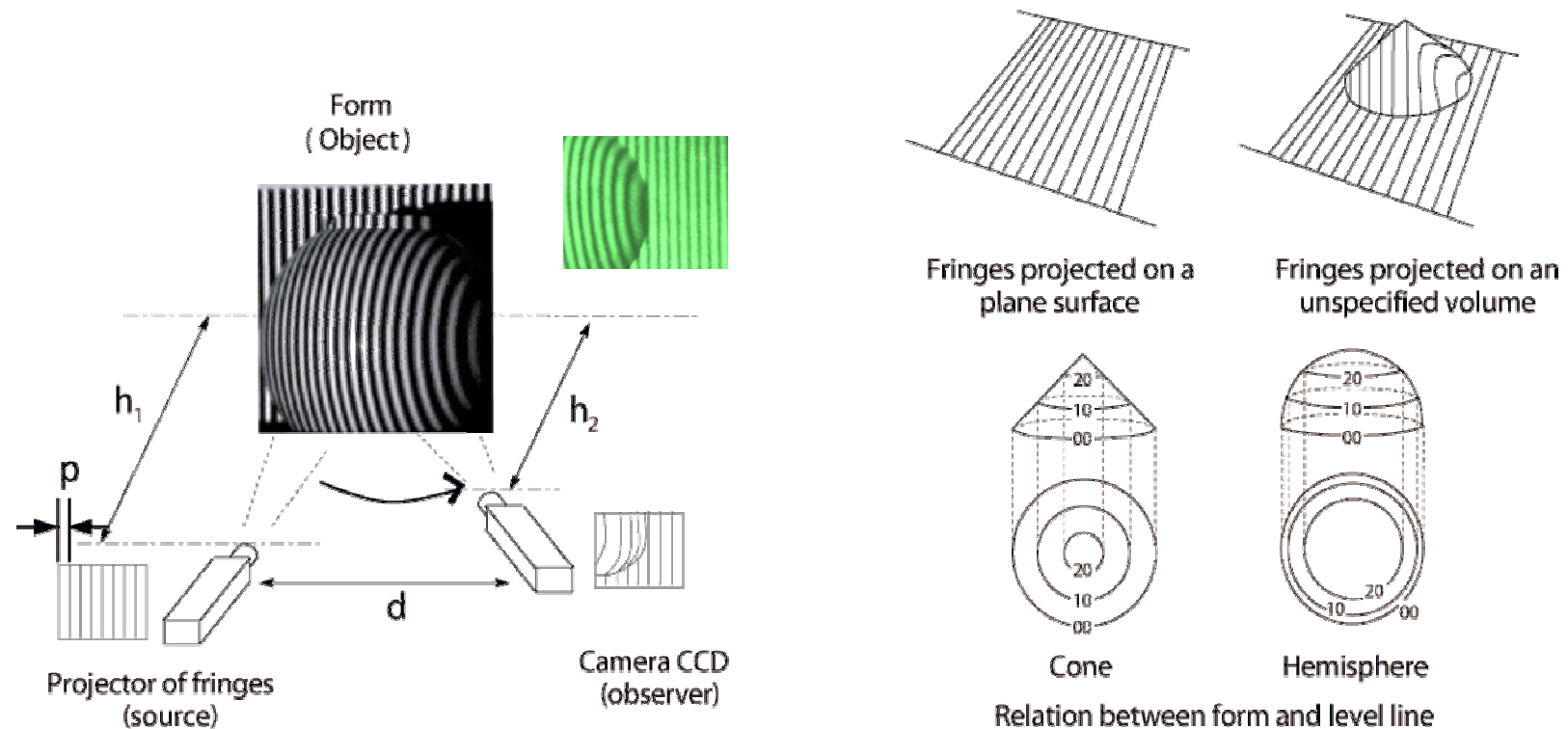
Mathematical
treatment



(Schwall, Courard, Belair, Perez, Bissonnette and Piotrowski 2007)

Surfology: roughness

Deformation of parallel and periodic fringes (level line)



(Perez, Courard, Bissonnette, Garbacz and Gorka 2006)

Surfology: roughness

Definition of description parameters

- Filtration process: standard
 - Meso-waviness
 - Waviness
 - Micro-roughness
 - Nano-roughness

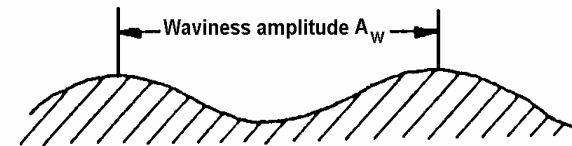
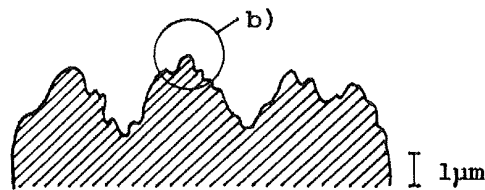


Diagram showing the relationship between Waviness (A_w) and Depth of holes (W_t):

$$A_w = (100 \dots 1000) \times W_t$$

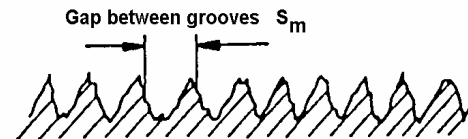
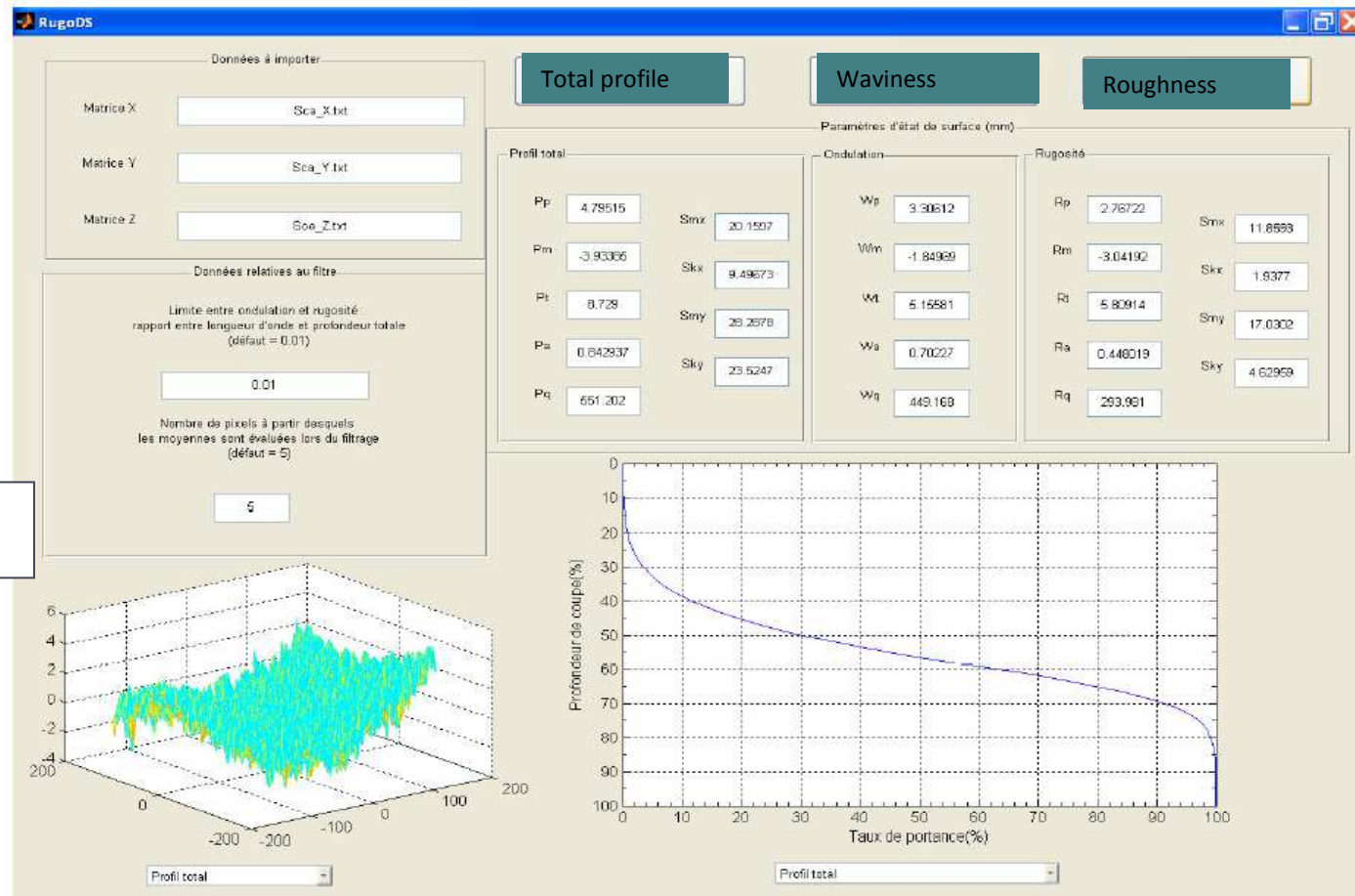


Diagram showing the relationship between Roughness (S) and Depth (R_z):

$$S = 5 \dots 100 \times R_z$$

- Filtration process: 0.800 mm

Surfology: roughness

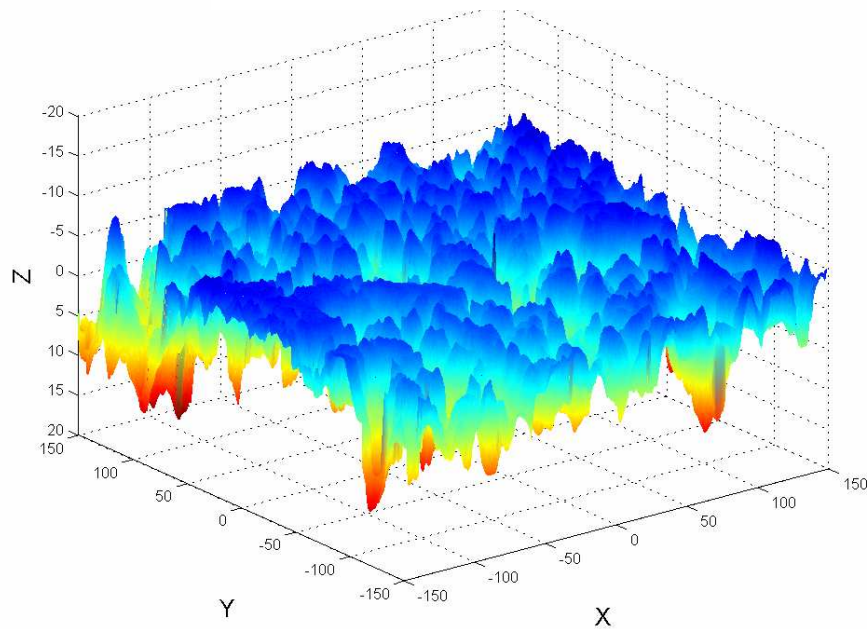


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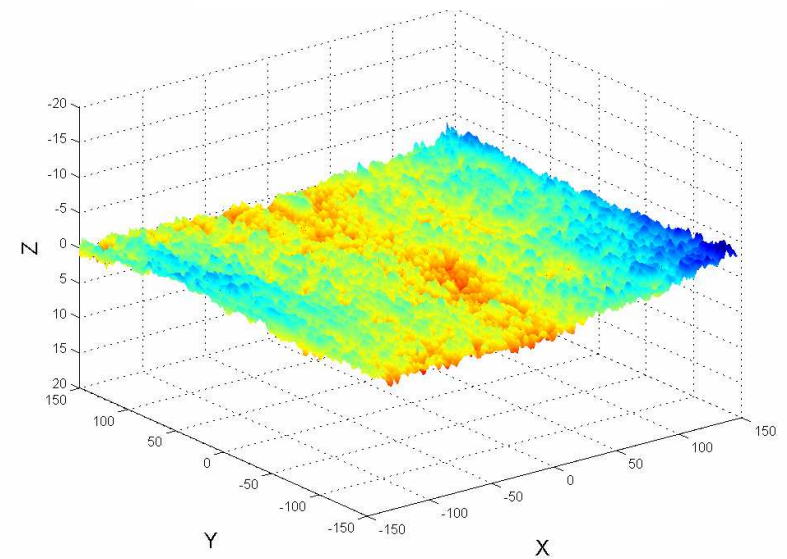
Automatic calculation of surface roughness parameters by signal treatment (D. Schwall)

Surfology: roughness

Water jetting



Scarification

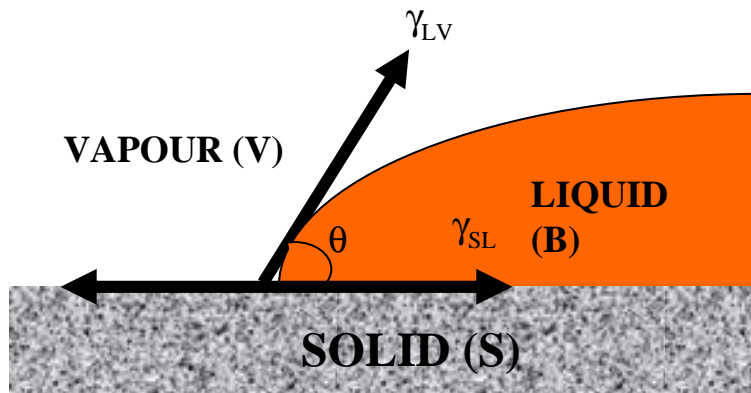




Thermodynamic properties

Surfology: thermodynamic properties

$$\gamma_{SV} = \gamma_{SB} + \gamma_{BV} \cdot \cos \theta$$

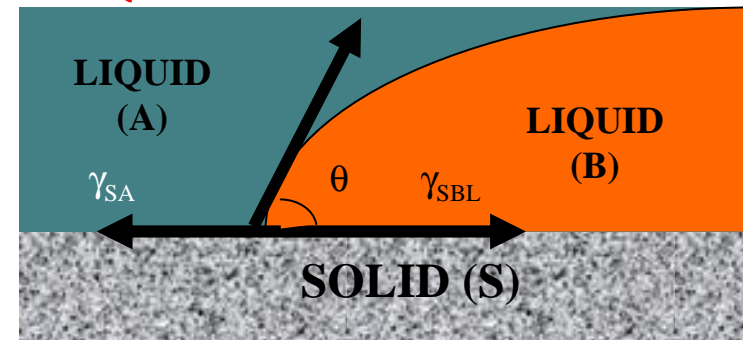


Equilibrium : the difference between tensions of adhesion is inferior to interfacial tension

No equilibrium : liquid B will expulse liquid A

$$\gamma_{SA} = \gamma_{SB} + \gamma_{AB} \cdot \cos \theta$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_S = \gamma_{SA} + \gamma_A \cdot \cos \theta_A \\ \gamma_S = \gamma_{SB} + \gamma_B \cdot \cos \theta_B \end{array} \right.$$



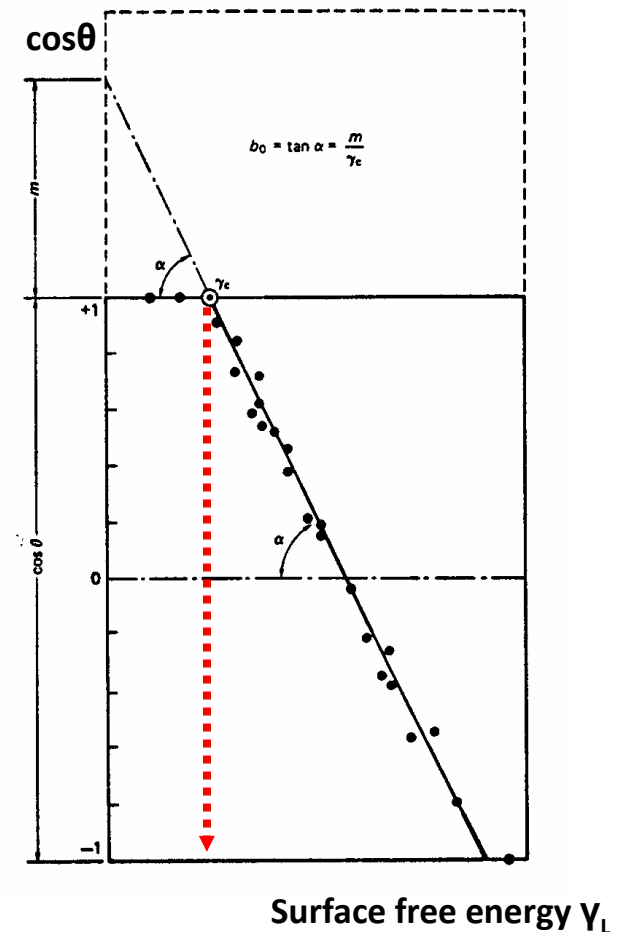
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_B \cdot \cos \theta_B - \gamma_A \cdot \cos \theta_A < \gamma_{AB} \\ \gamma_B \cdot \cos \theta_B - \gamma_A \cdot \cos \theta_A > \gamma_{AB} \end{array} \right.$$

➡ the liquid with the higher tension of adhesion will expulse the other one from the surface

Surfology: thermodynamic properties

Critical surface energy is the maximum surface free energy of liquid that will spread on specific solid surface

| Substrate | Critical surface energy (mN/m) |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Cement paste | 25.5 |
| Limestone | 42.5 |
| Epoxy resin (EP) | 43-44 |
| PolyVinyl Chloride (PVC) | 39 |
| PolyEthylen (PE) | 31 |
| PolyTetraFluorEthylen (PTFE) | 18.5 |





Surfology

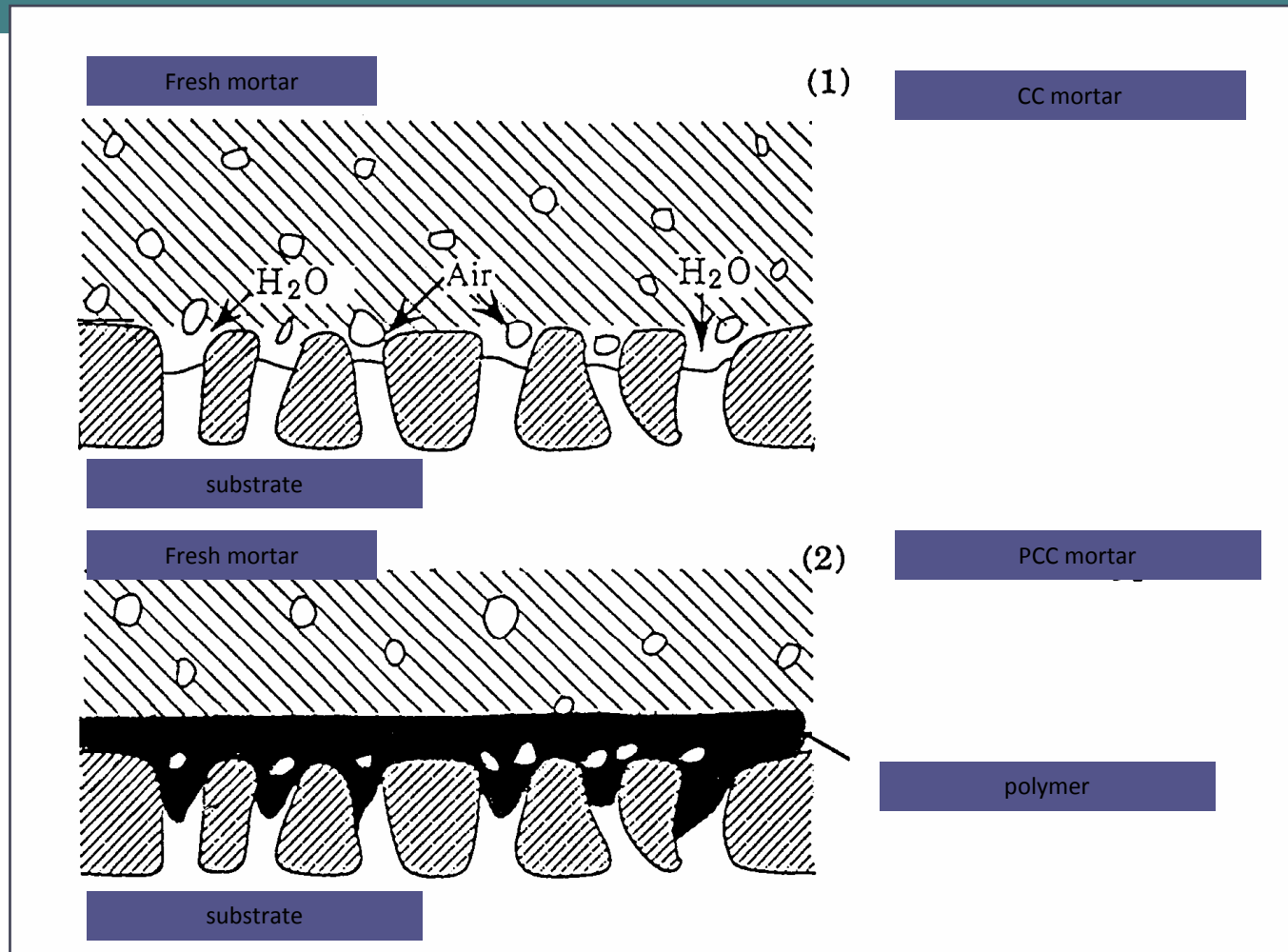
Why to define surfology?

Surfology: adhesion

conditions and kinetics of contact



- spreading on the surface, shear stress, viscosity
- penetration into the capillaries of the superficial concrete
 - environmental conditions (temperature, relative humidity)

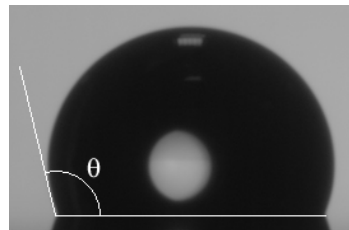
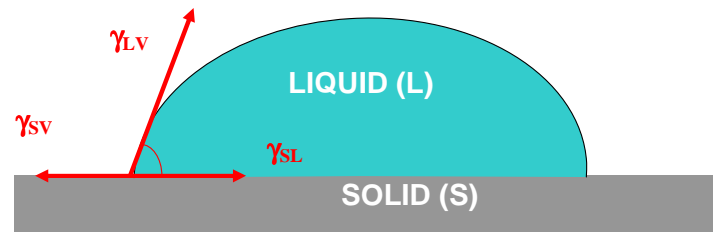


(Ohama, 1989 - Ohama and Pareek, 1993)

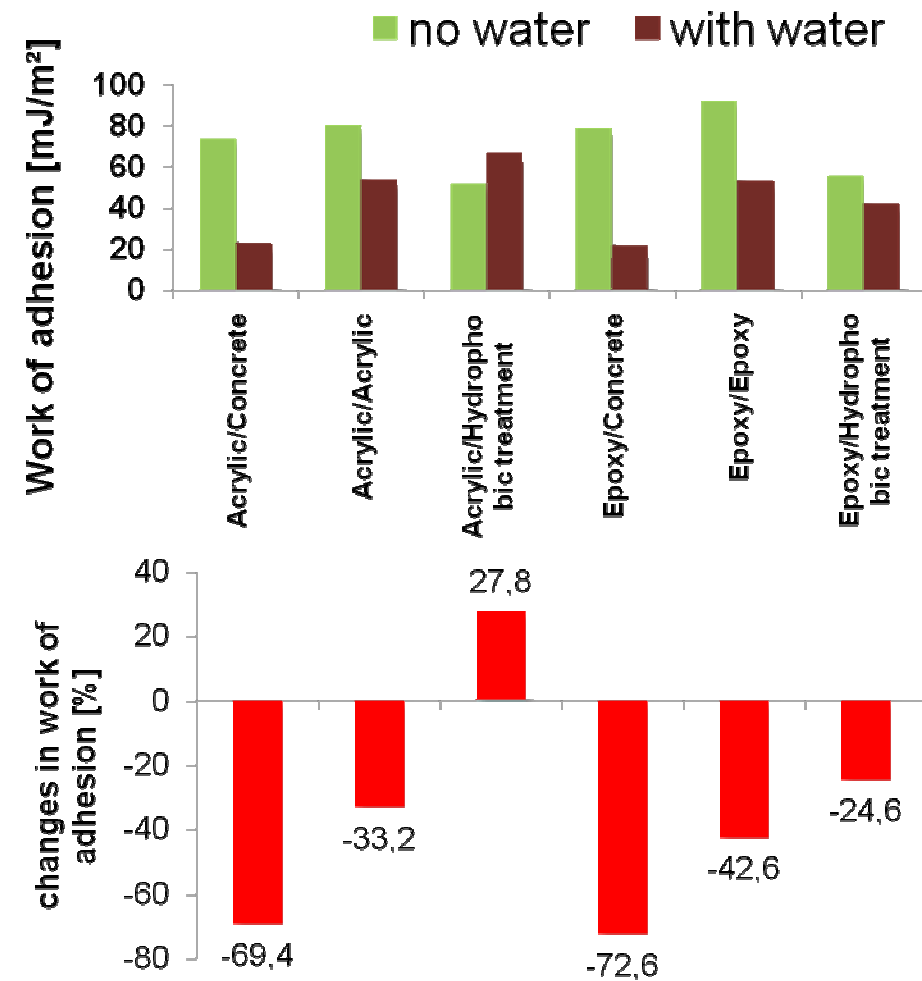


Effect of water

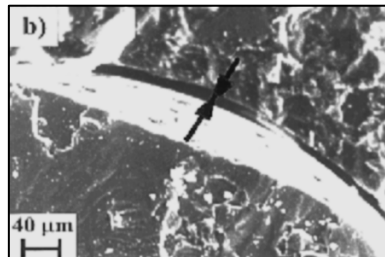
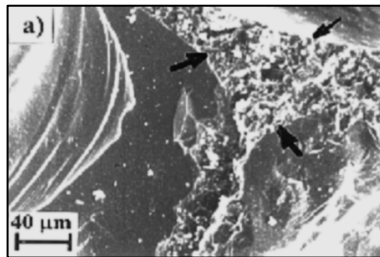
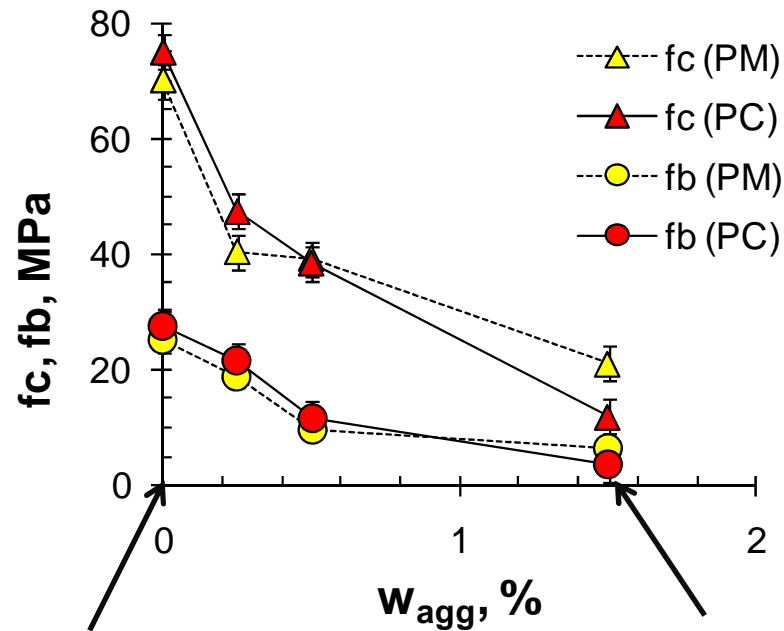
Surfology: effect of water



$$W_{a_{SL}} = \gamma_{LV} (1 + \cos \theta)$$



Surfology: effect of water



| w_{agg} [%] | $(f_c^w - f_c^{dry}) / f_c^{dry}$ [%] | $(f_b^w - f_b^{dry}) / f_b^{dry}$ [%] |
|------------------|--|--|
| Polymer concrete | | |
| 0.25 | -36.8 | -22.5 |
| 0.50 | -48.6 | -58.7 |
| 1.50 | -84.2 | -87.5 |
| Polymer mortar | | |
| 0.25 | -42.2 | -24.4 |
| 0.50 | -43.8 | -61.2 |
| 1.50 | -69.9 | -74.5 |

$(W_{AL} - W_A) / W_A$ [%]
for epoxy/concrete
-72.6 %

Surfology: effect of water



| Saturation level | Adhesion (N/mm ²) | |
|------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| | with dry slurry | with wet slurry |
| 50 | 0.83 | 2.32 |
| 52 | 2.80 | 2.14 |
| 55 | 2.09 | 2.89 |
| 70 | 2.75 | 2.65 |
| 90 | 3.54 | 3.36 |
| 93 | 2.13 | 3.06 |
| 97 | 1.81 | 2.58 |
| 100 | 1.43 | 1.48 |

(Courard, Lenaers, Michel and Garbacz 2011)



Surface preparation techniques

Surfology: surface preparation techniques



0 20 [mm] 200

a) Scarification(SCA)



0 20 [mm] 200

b) Sandblasting (SAB)



0 20 [mm] 200

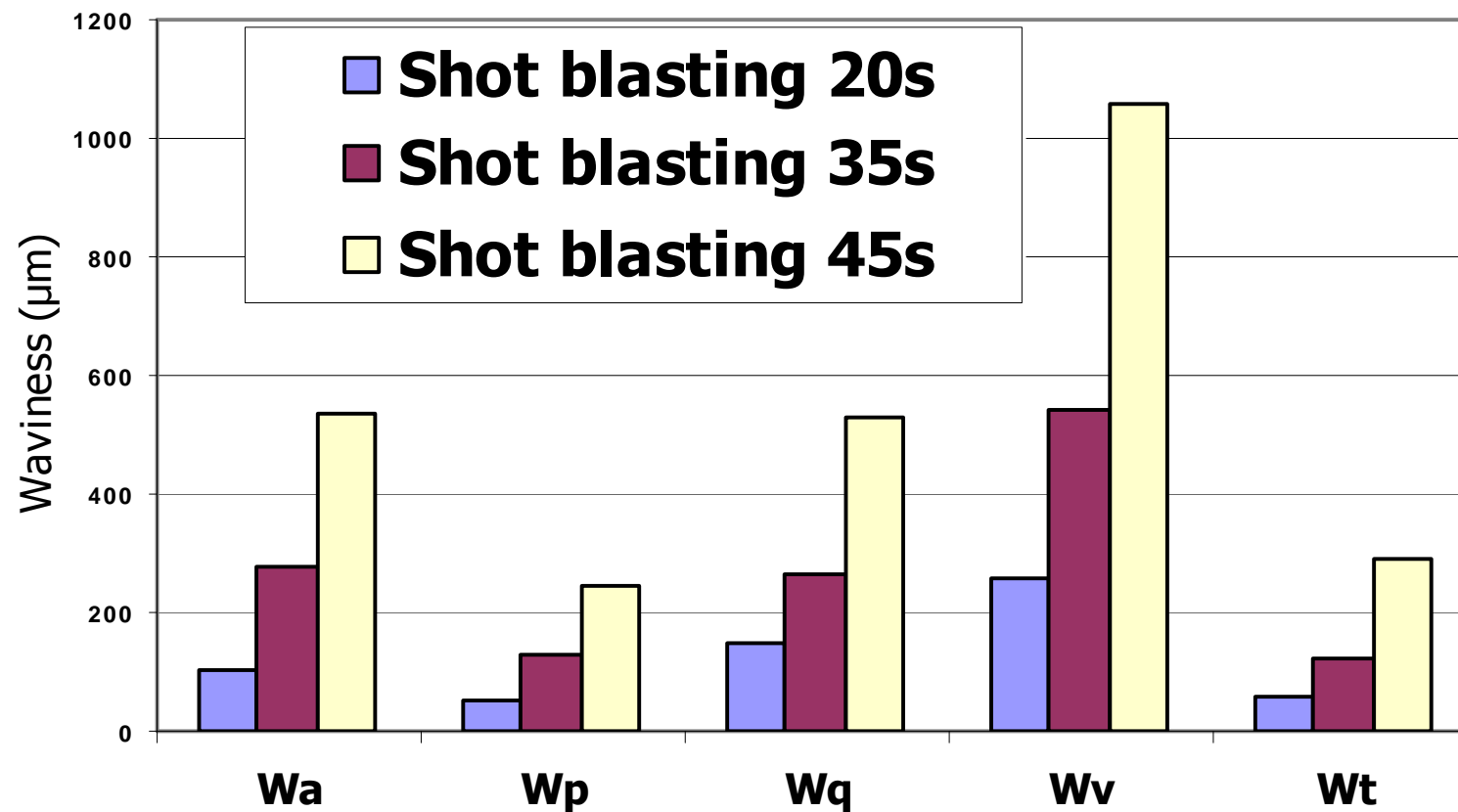
c) Pneumatic jackhammer(PJ7S)



0 20 [mm] 200

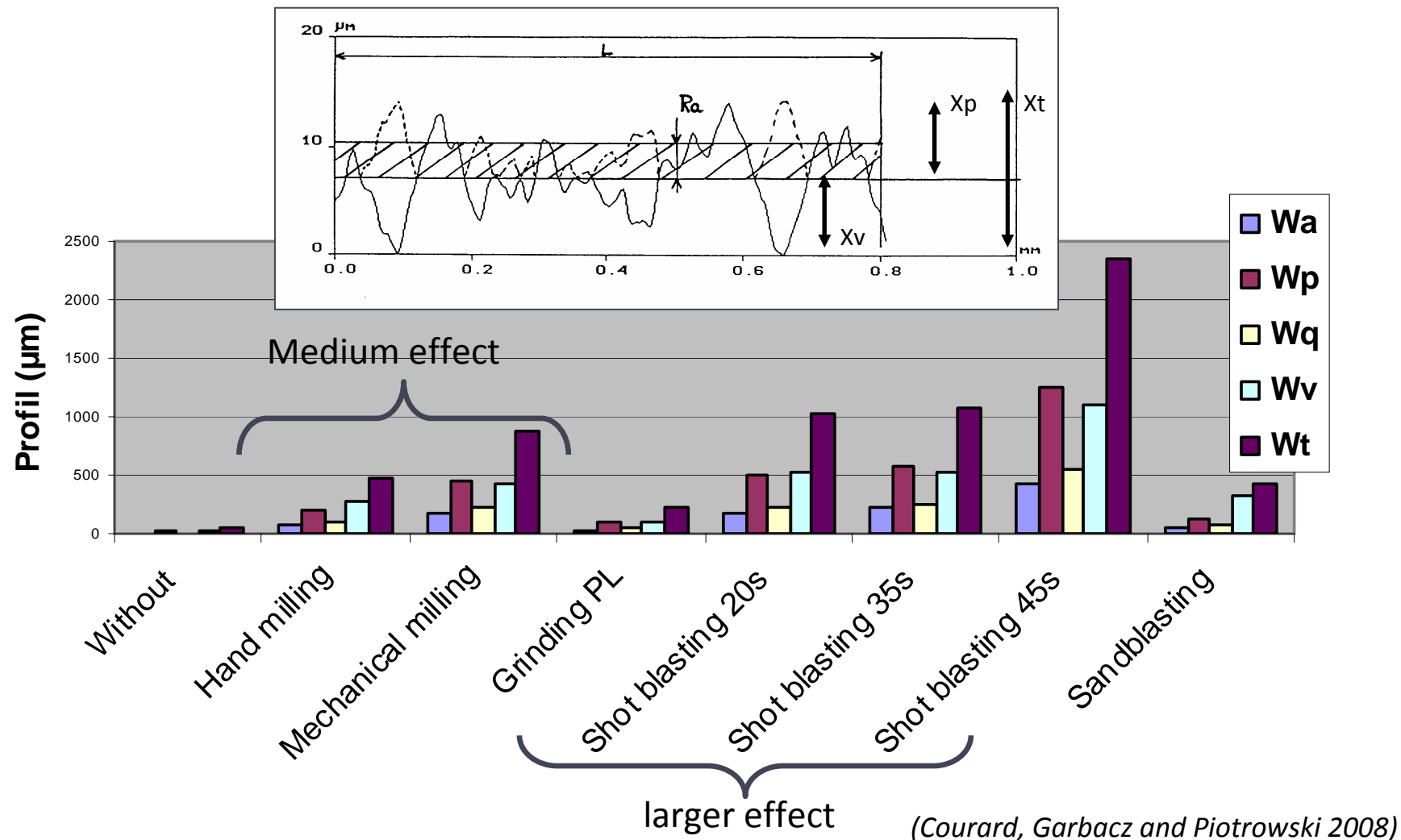
d) Water jetting (WJ)

Surfology: surface preparation techniques



(Courard, Garbacz and Piotrowski 2008)

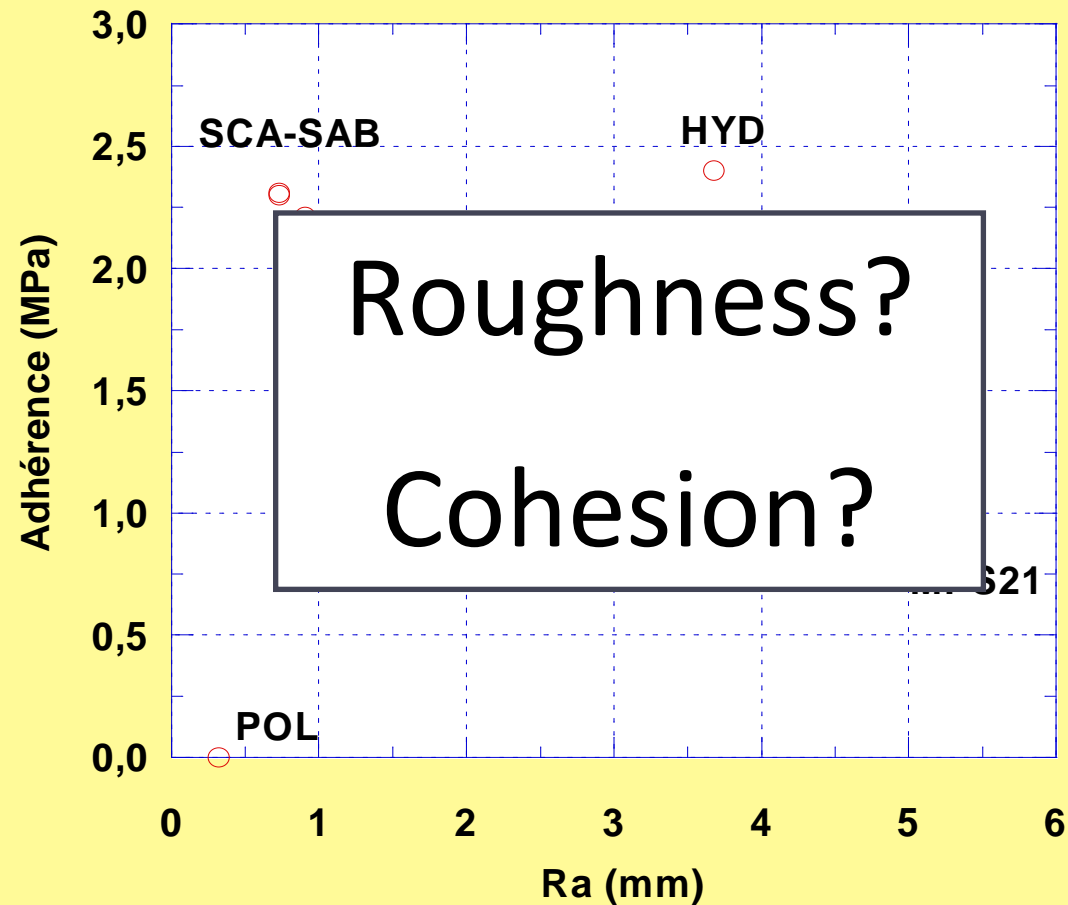
Surfology: surface preparation techniques





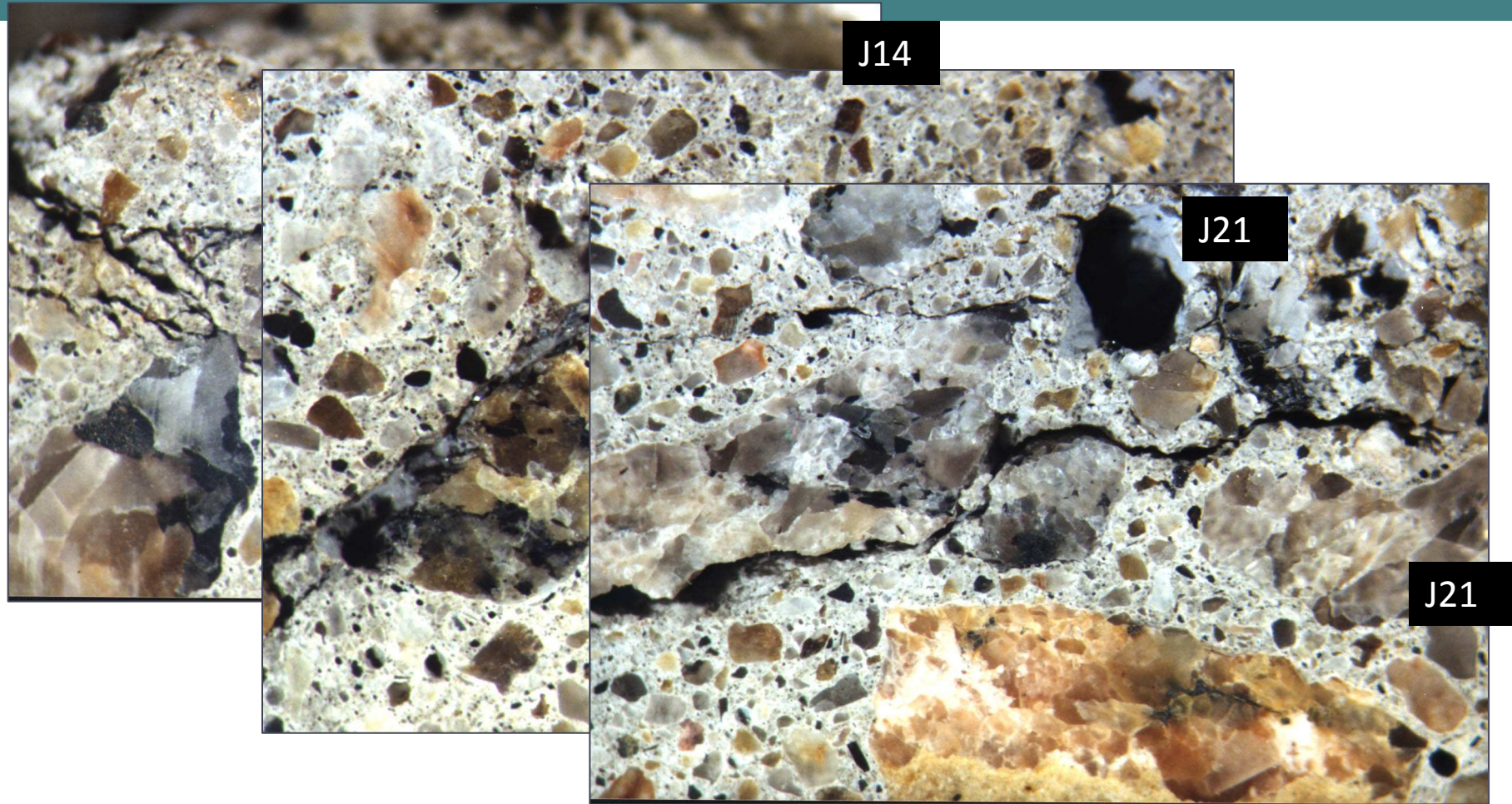
Roughness and adhesion

Surfology: roughness and adhesion



(Vaysburd, Courard, Bissonnette and Bélair 2006)

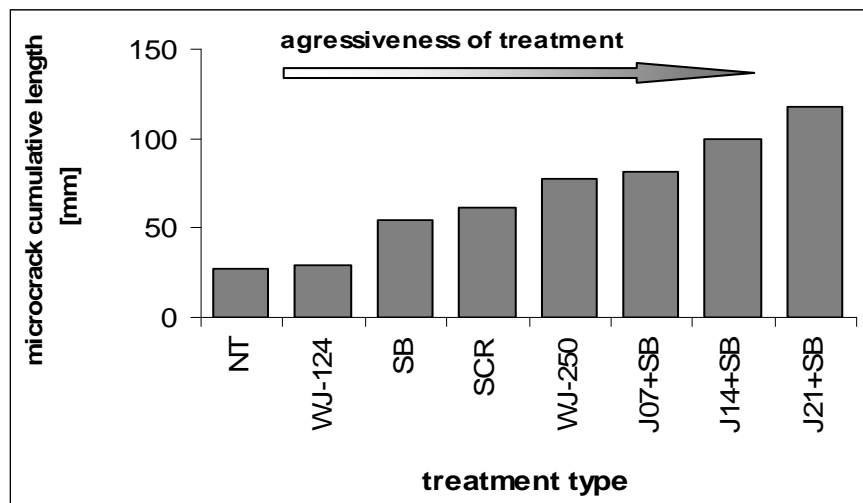
Surfology: roughness and adhesion



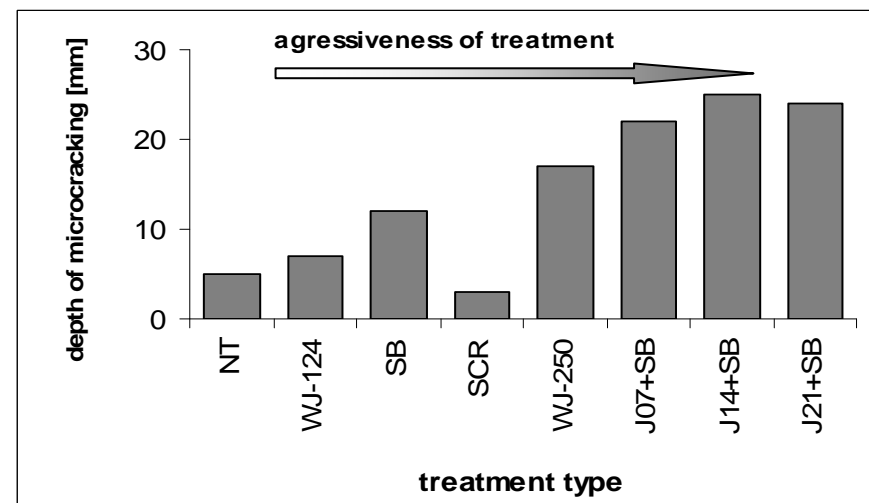
(Vaysburd, Courard, Bissonnette and Bélair 2006)

Surfology: roughness and adhesion

length (Li) of the cracks



depth of microcracking



NT – no treatment; **WJ** – water jetting – pressure 124 psi/250MPa; **SB** – sandblasting; **SCR** – scabbling; **J+SB** – jack hammering of weight 7,14,21 kg + sandblasting

Application of polymer primer or polymer modified cement bonding agents usually improves the interface quality due to strengthening of concrete substrate by gluing microcracks and lost concrete particles (Garbacz, Kostana and Courard 2006)

Surfology: roughness and adhesion

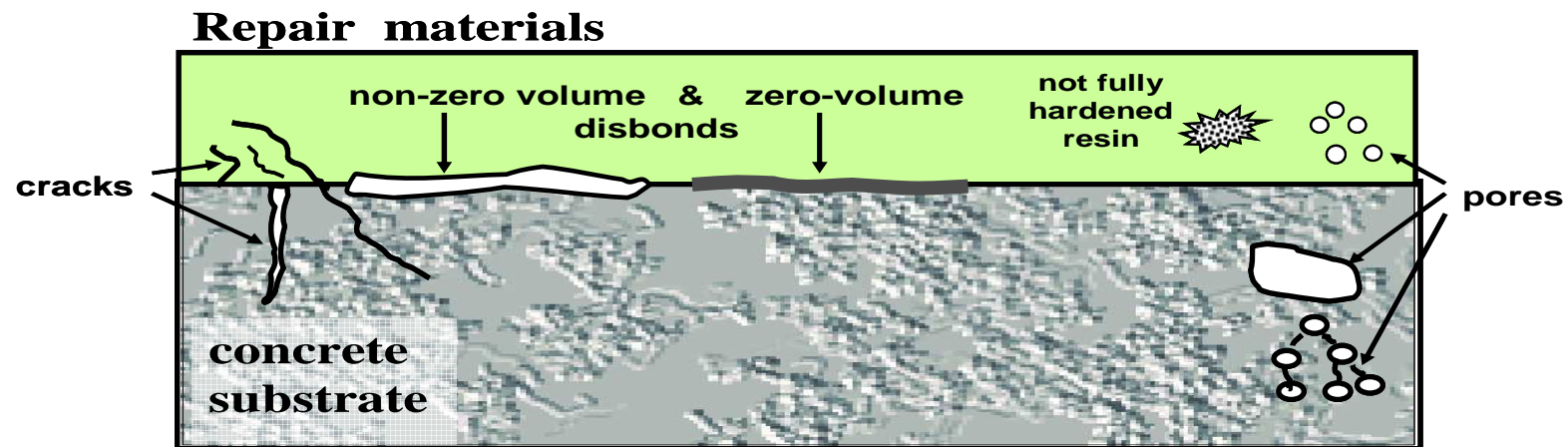
| Treatment type | Mean value [MPa] (coefficient of variation in %) | |
|----------------|--|---------------------------------|
| | Repair mortar with bond coat | Repair mortar without bond coat |
| NT | 1.92 (23.4) | 2.28 (17.1) |
| GR | 1.82 (15.9) | 1.16 (50.9) |
| SB | 1.93 (11.4) | 1.82 (32.4) |
| SHB20 | 1.68 (18.5) | 0.78 (39.7) |
| SHB35 | 1.94 (11.3) | 1.25 (28.8) |
| SHB45 | 1.96 (32.7) | 0.83 (25.3) |
| HMIL | 1.42 (12.7) | 1.01 (40.6) |
| MMIL | 1.60 (24.4) | 0.49 (57.1) |

(Garbacz, Courard and Kostana 2006)



Research and investigations

Surfology: repair system as an object of NDT testing



Selection of NDT method

- Defect size & depth
- Repair material thickness
- Repair material type (R coeff.)
- **Substrate quality?**

Surfology: influence on bond strength

b – relative influence on f_h prediction

$$\beta(SRI) = 0.67$$

$$\beta(f_{hs}) = 0.63$$

$$\beta(LA) = 0.12$$

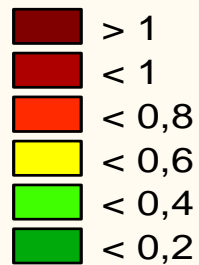
$$\beta(f_{ck}) = -0.08$$

$U(f_h)$ – usability function

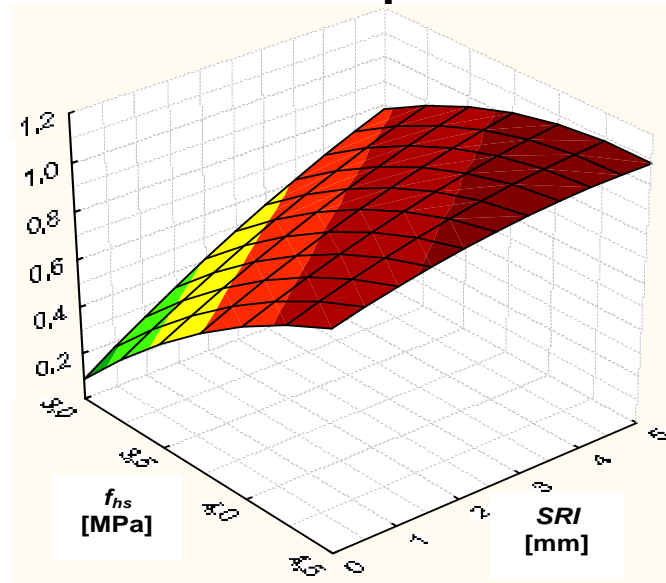
$U(f_h)=1.0$ for $f_h \geq 2.5$ MPa

$U(f_h)=0.5$ for $f_h = 1.5$ MPa

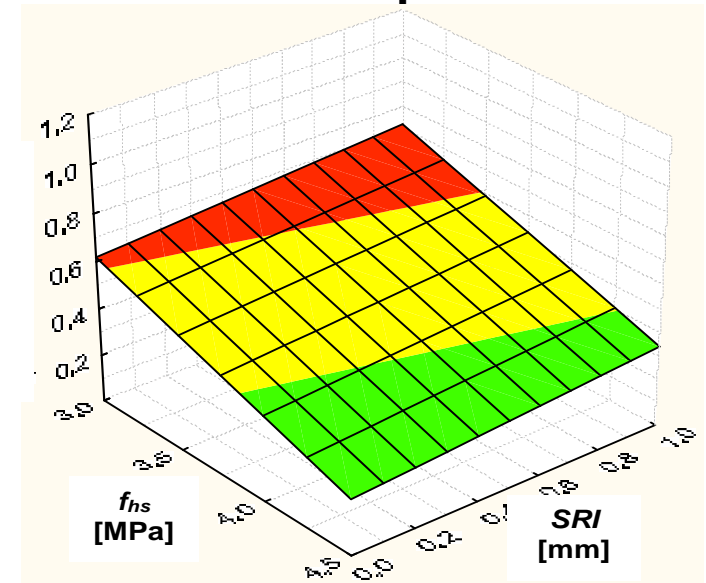
$U(f_h)=0.0$ for $f_h \leq 0.5$ MPa



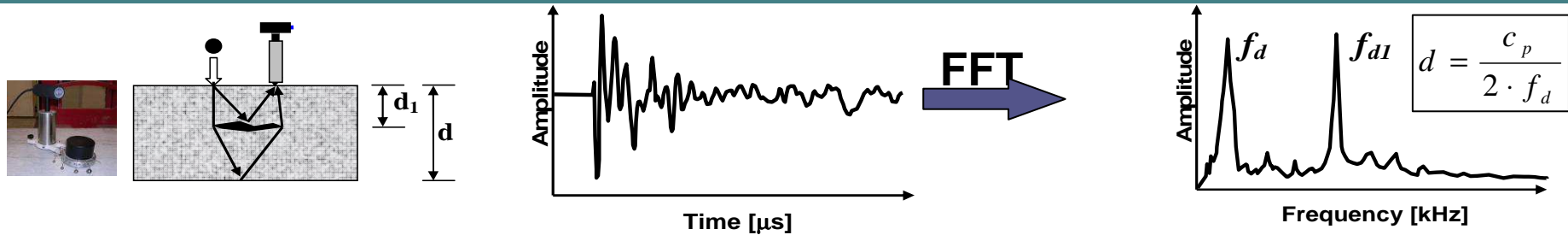
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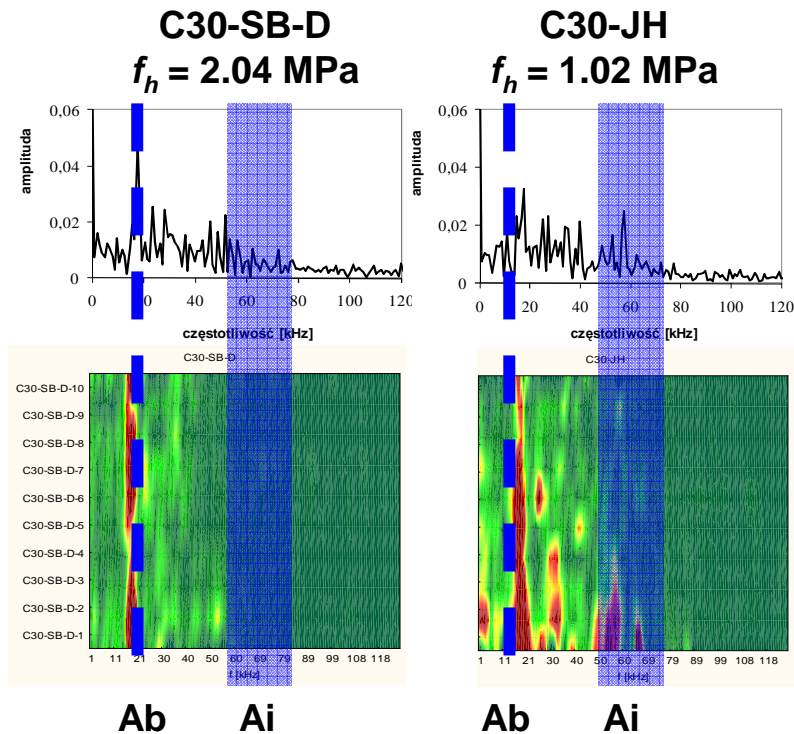
Group B



Surfology: NDT testing with Impact-echo method

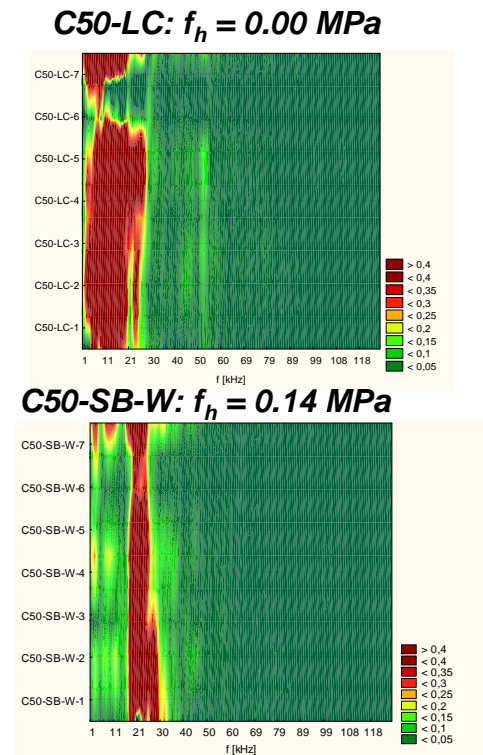


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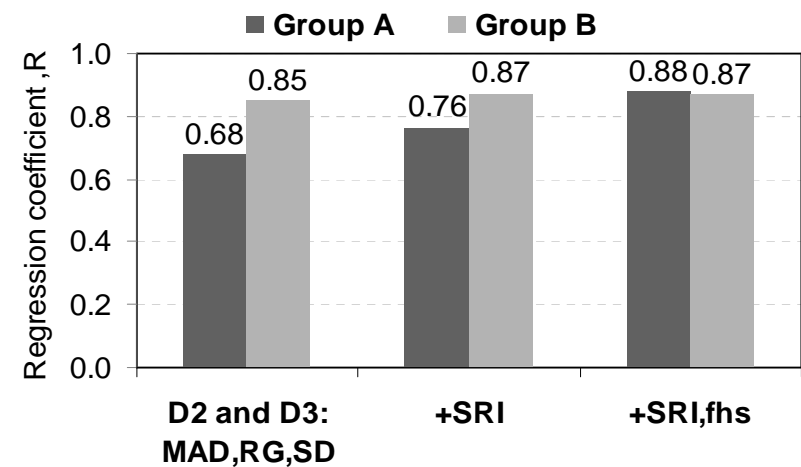
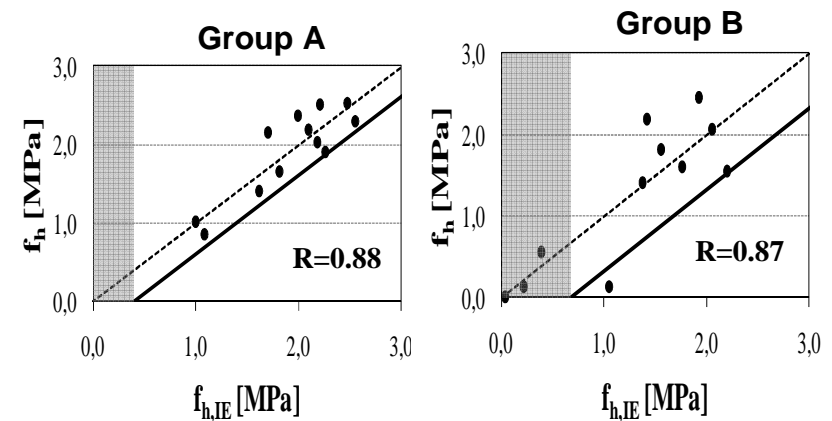
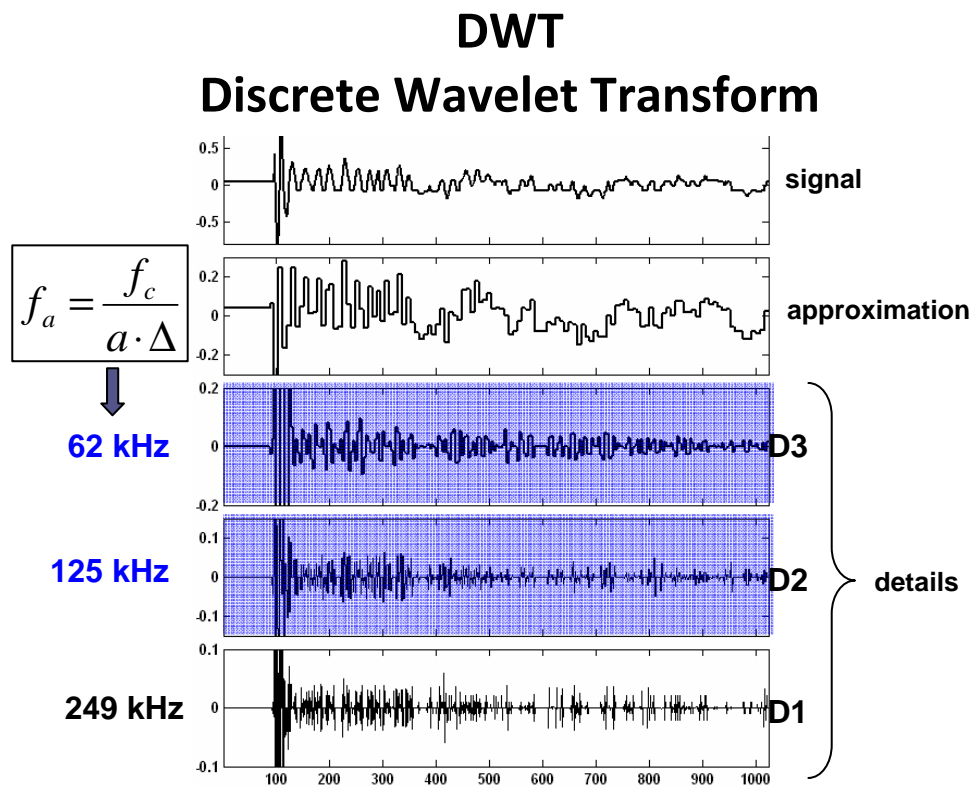


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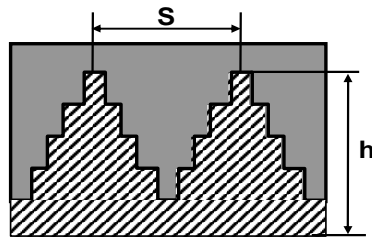
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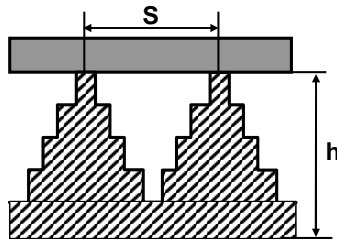
Surfology: wavelet approach



Surfology: FEM model of repair system (LS-Dyna)

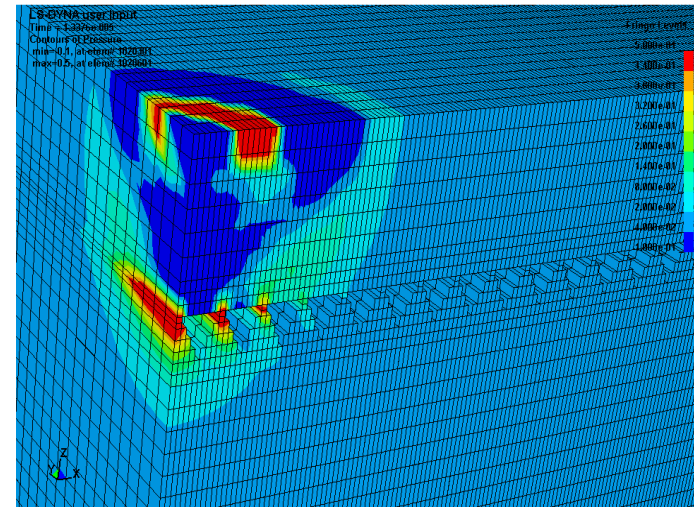
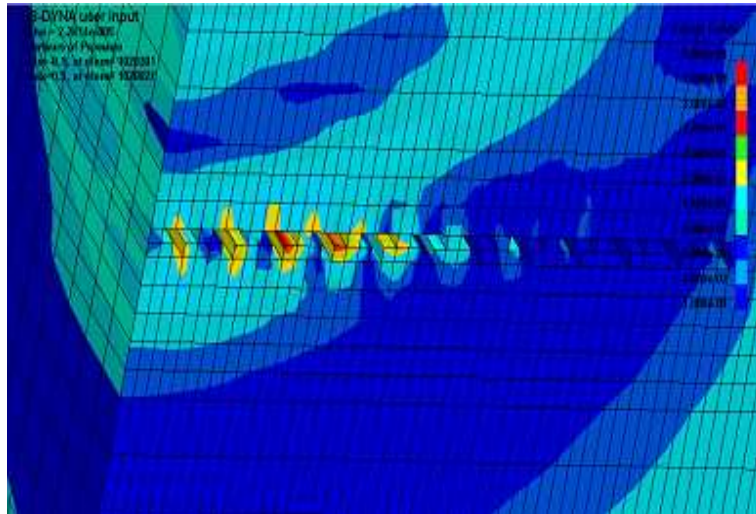


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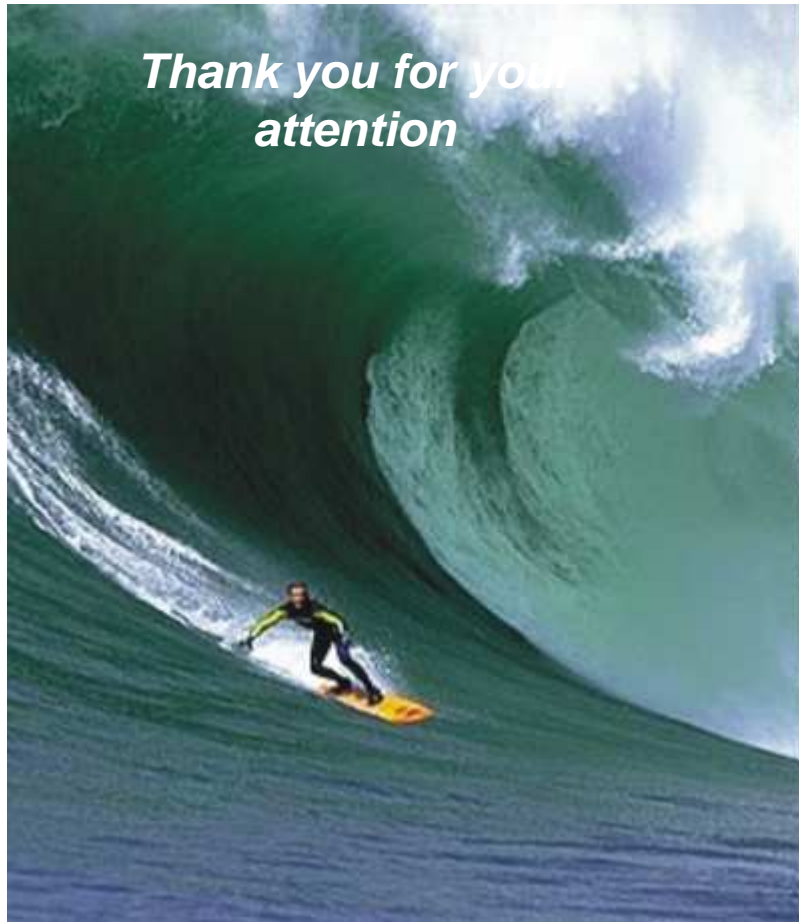


HD

| | S [mm] | h [mm] |
|----|--------|--------|
| SB | 4 | 2 |
| HD | 8 | 8 |



Conclusions



*Thank you for your
attention*

Surfology, as a scientific concept including all surface properties of materials and their influence on adhesion, contributes to understand what will make the contact effective or not, and allow interactions of variable intensities between the materials at different scales of observation.

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